



**Rear Admiral (Ret.) Allen J. Brands, D.Sc.,
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Rear Admiral Allen J. Brands served as Chief Pharmacist Officer in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps from 1967 to 1981. From 1953 until 1981, he served as the Chief, Pharmacy Branch, Indian Health Service, and was one of the first national pharmacy leaders to introduce clinical pharmacy concepts into the practice setting. In 1971, RADM Brands collaborated with Indian Health Service (IHS) in establishing clinical pharmacy projects at IHS health centers. He was involved in many projects Department-wide, and was well known for his leadership abilities in advancing the role of federal pharmacists. Following his retirement in 1981, he continued to be very active in pharmacy organizations as a consultant.

RADM Brands graduated cum laude with a B.S. in Pharmacy from the University of Southern California in 1941 and received graduate training at Georgetown University. He worked in community practice and served as a Battalion Radar Officer in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. RADM Brands was the recipient of many honors in his lifetime including an Honorary Doctorate of Science degree from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, University of Southern California Merit Award, the Andrew Craigie Award, the Harvey A.K. Whitney Lecture Award, and the USPHS Outstanding Service Medal. These awards reflect the significant accomplishments he made for the pharmacy profession.

RADM Brands died March 17, 1994.